



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
**Georgia Crop Progress
and Condition Report**



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 2, 2017. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.3 inches of rain to 5.4 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the mid 70s.

County Comments

The much-needed rainfall is beginning to cause problems for vegetable and hay producers. Finding several dry days open to get a second cutting put up at the proper growth stage is proving difficult. Quality of this second cutting will be considerably lower than normal. Vegetable producers need to be on the lookout for disease issues.

Steven Patrick, Habersham County

Rains continued to fall, and growers dodged showers to do some fieldwork. The corn crop is looking good. Cotton is squaring. Soybeans are looking good. Haying continues as rain allows. Aphids were found in some cotton fields. Sugarcane aphids were found in forage sorghum. Land plaster was applied to peanut fields.

Raymond Joyce, Laurens County

Tobacco was largely affected by winds three weekends back. It is a very good crop, but in many places, it is blown over. Producers are standing it up now at a large cost. Even the stood-up crop is bent where the flowers started growing toward the sky. This is now hurting the topping. Not all of the crop is able to be topped. Even tobacco that was not blown over has flowers tilted from the wind.

Andrew Sawyer, Thomas County

The rain has significantly reduced irrigation costs. Hog damage continues to worsen in corn. Peanuts are doing great. Cotton stands are improving, but some have large skips that will ultimately limit yield potential. Soybeans are growing fast and are thriving from timely rains.

Seth McAllister, Terrell County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/02/17

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Silking	94	88	90	NA
Corn - Mature	7	NA	NA	NA
Cotton - Squaring	57	40	66	60
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	8	2	16	14
Hay - 2nd Cutting	18	NA	50	42
Peaches - Harvested.....	92	81	66	65
Peanuts - Pegging.....	57	38	54	36
Sorghum - Planted	79	78	88	85
Soybeans - Planted.....	93	89	94	91
Soybeans - Emerged.....	85	80	88	NA
Soybeans - Blooming	15	9	23	NA
Tobacco - Topped	69	36	64	NA
Tobacco - Harvested.....	3	NA	NA	NA

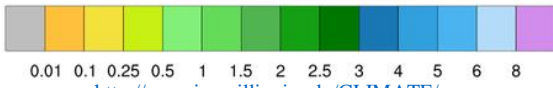
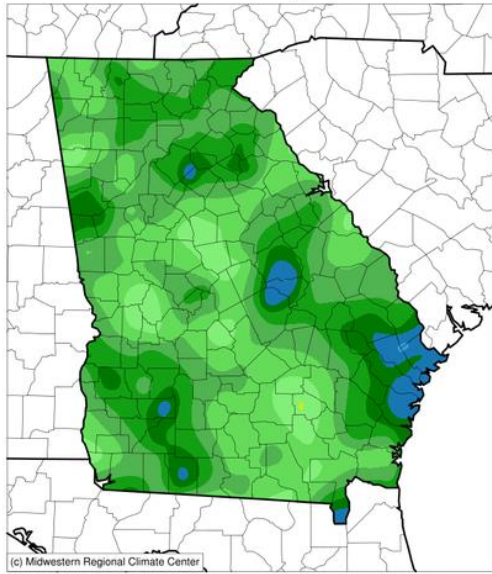
Conditions for Week Ending 07/02/17

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	4	24	61	10
Corn	0	2	17	58	23
Cotton	1	4	21	59	15
Pasture and range.....	3	8	23	56	10
Peanuts.....	0	4	20	57	19
Sorghum	0	2	15	80	3
Soybeans	0	2	17	69	12
Tobacco	1	5	25	49	20

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/02/17

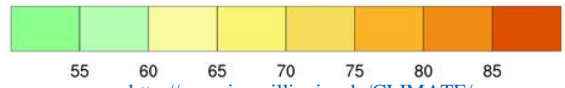
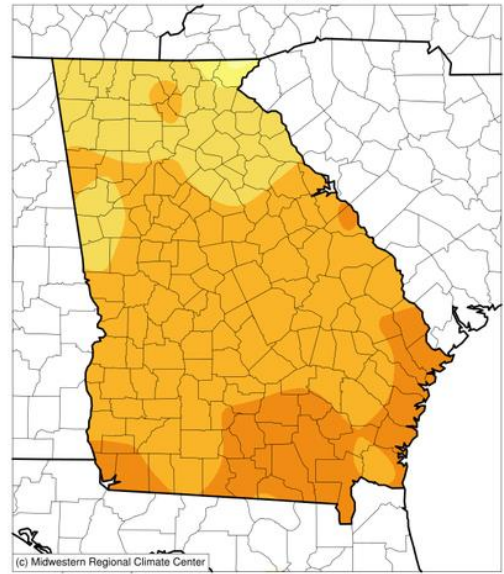
Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	0	1	8
Short	7	6	29
Adequate.....	78	76	48
Surplus.....	15	17	15
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	1	1	8
Short	12	12	26
Adequate.....	78	77	56
Surplus.....	9	10	10

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
June 26, 2017 to July 02, 2017



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Average Temperature (°F)
June 26, 2017 to July 02, 2017



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

June 27, 2017

(Released Thursday, Jun. 29, 2017)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	75.85	24.15	0.19	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-20-2017	69.77	30.23	6.40	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 03-28-2017	1.09	98.91	26.80	17.22	4.59	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2017	11.31	88.69	73.48	39.33	19.28	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2016	35.37	64.63	45.84	34.50	14.67	1.58
One Year Ago 06-29-2016	51.72	48.28	32.69	25.21	1.96	0.00

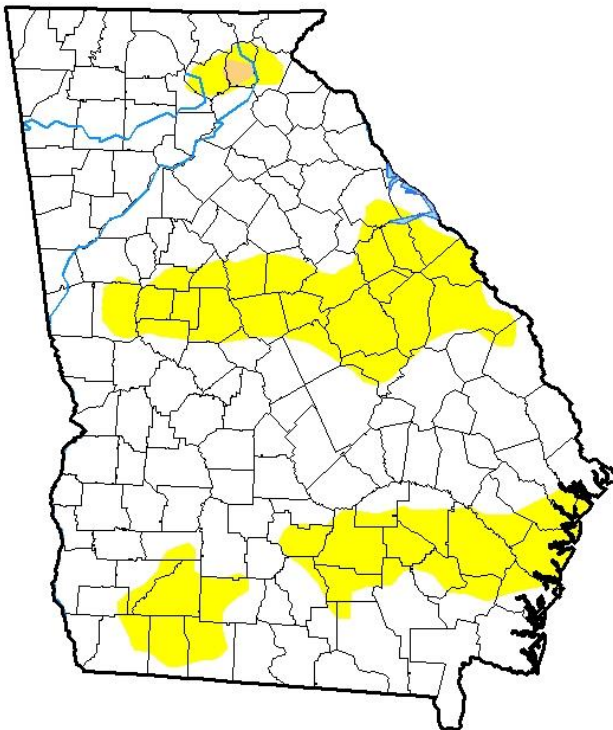
Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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